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Hi Everyone,

Mike Jewell invited me to sit in on a presentation by DWR and representatives of the Bay Delta Conservation Plan (BDCP) on August 8, 2008. Unlike HCPs I've worked on previously proposed by a local government to cover urban development activities, this HCP and potential NCCP addresses water supply and management projects. Build out of cities or urbanization in the Delta are not part of the proposed covered activities. The HCP is proposed to include the activities of the State Water Project and the Central Valley Project that affect covered species.

It looks like the most controversial activities are figuring out a way to move water through the Delta. They are currently considering 4 options: 1) No change from current practice; 2) Improved Delta Conveyance -- rerouting San Joaquin River water through the south Delta & levee improvements; 3) "Dual Conveyance" -- peripheral Aqueduct and reroute SJR water through south Delta; 4) Peripheral Canal w/o rerouting SJR water. The BDCP steering committee prefers the dual conveyance option.

The BDCP will also include projects like deepening the Stockton & Sacramento shipping channels so our dredging team will probably be interested.

DWR passed out a timeline indicating they would like to issue an NOI/NOP by the end of 2008. I cc'd our NEPA Review Office because I am fairly certain the NEPA document will be an EIS and we'll be

coordinating with a staff person in their office. I am not sure of the federal lead at this point (potentially the Corps) so I don't know who we will be working with in ERO.

Attached is a bulleted summary of my notes. I have maps and a print out version of a power point presentation, ~12 pieces of paper. I am happy to send them to R9 but I'm not sure to whom I should send the materials. The BDCP crosses geographic and legislative assignments in WTR8 and includes ERO. Should we choose a lead person for EPA? Let me know what you think about that and I'll send the materials in the mail.

Thanks!

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